

the confidence that comes from ability to bat. When a ball player can hit the ball hard he doesn't worry so much about his fielding and can therefore take more care to correct his faults.

Neither McLarry or Fisher are well acquainted with their infielding mates and it will take them some time to perfect a defensive machine that works together. In the batting end, however, both young men have done nobly on the spring trip, and, in fact, all members of the crew have been hitting the ball opportunely, considering the fact that they went against big league pitching during their first week of training at Tampa.

Three home runs enabled the Cubs to lick Birmingham, 7 to 4. Good, McLarry and Bresnahan hammered four-baggers. Vaughn and Zabel pitched fair ball, Zabel being better than the veteran southpaw.

Today Joe Tinker's Whales are scheduled to meet the Kay See Feds in Marshall, Tex., with a fair chance of pulling off the game. Handling a baseball will be a novelty to the Whales, who have been getting their diamond training running around a mile track and throwing a medicine ball.

Tinker's team is physically in good condition, but it could have secured just as much baseball practice if it had remained up on the north side, instead of going to Shreveport.

Three more games will be played after today with minor teams on the way home, and the athletes will probably be brought into Chicago next Thursday night, prepared for the opening a week from today.

SHE WANTS THEM ALL

Omaha, Neb.—Mrs. Lillian A. Craig, suing for divorce, asks not only for custody of her one-year-old daughter, but for possession of the child she expects to be born to her this month. The petition is so worded that should twins or triplets be brought by Dr. Stork, all of the children will be given Mrs. Craig.

PETROGRAD PRESS REPEATS "AUSTRIAN PEACE" CLAIM

London.—Despite denials from the Russian minister at Rome, Petrograd newspaper, Russky Slovoe, reiterated its statement that Austria is seeking separate peace.

Emperor Franz Josef, according to Petrograd newspaper, appealed to Germany, through pope, to join Austria in peace offers. Emperor William refused, newspaper said, but Austria is now negotiating for separate peace with Russia, offering Galicia, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

London.—"Hang Von Tirpitz and other responsible German officers at close of war," was the suggestion of the London Daily Chronicle today in fresh outburst of indignation at torpedoing of English fishing vessels, expressly exempted from attack by The Hague convention of 1907.

Crew of Dutch steamer Schieland, blown up off mouth of Humber yesterday, said today they believed mine caused destruction of their vessel. Terrific explosion damaged steamer amidships, killed fireman and injured three others.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Eleventh annual Easter dinner to woman prisoners in Harrison st. police station will be given by Miss Julia Gleason at 5:30 Sunday afternoon.

Basil L. Manly, U. S. industrial relations commission at Grace Church Evening Service Forum, Wabash and 15th, Sunday eve. Subject, "Industrial Unrest and the Public."

H. Percy Ward and Jesse Quitman debate on "Has Religion Been Useful to Man" in Corinthian hall, Masonic Temple, Sun., 11 a. m.

John C. Kennedy, Adolph Dreifuss and Richard Zickmann at German meeting in Excelsior Park hall, Irving Park blvd. and Elston av., tonight.

Albany, N. Y.—Gov. Whitman pardoned Oscar Hartwigh so the boy, serving sentence in Auburn for theft, could go home to dying mother,